Wine Spectator Praises Ascheri's 2009 Dolcettos

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Piedmont / Dolcetto d'Alba

90 Giacomo Ascheri Dolcetto d'Alba Nirane 2009 *$17* Very pure, with floral, wild berry and peppery mineral aromas and flavors. The rich, smooth texture is balanced by vibrant acidity, as this lingers on the finish. Drink now through 2013. 1,000 cases made.—*B.S.*

89 Giacomo Ascheri Dolcetto d'Alba S. Rocco 2009 *$17* Plenty of cherry and raspberry flavors take on some spice for interest as this red persists on the palate. Harmonious and fresh, offering a lift of tannins on the finish. Drink now. 650 cases made.—*B.S.*